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Memorandum

TO : Mr. Bishop

DATE: March 17, 1969

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY

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Senator James O. Eastland (D - Miss.) last week indicated the Senate Subcommittee on Internal Security which he chairs was going to look into the Ray case, in an effort to develop information concerning a possible conspiracy in the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

On 3/17/69, Senator Eastland telephonically advised Special Agent [redacted] he had that date received a letter from Ray in which Ray says he did not kill King and offers to cooperate with the Senate Subcommittee. The Senator made available the enclosed copy of the letter which is dated 3/14/69, and the envelope in which it was mailed.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this be referred to the General Investigative Division.

Enclosures

1 - Mr. DeLoach (enclosure)
1 - Mr. Bishop (enclosure)
1 - Mr. Rosen (enclosure)

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